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Incomplete Platforms and Cleanliness
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of railway stations in the different States/Union Territories where the works of platforms are lying incomplete along with details of progress made in this regard; and

(b) the number of railway stations in different States/Union Territories in the country where proper arrangements for cleanliness does not exist and details of schemes and measures for improvement in the cleanliness arrangements?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)
(a): Platform is one of the most used amenities at a railway station and therefore many works such as repairs to surfacing, extension and raising are carried out as a continuous exercise, depending upon need, availability of funds etc. It is not feasible to maintain details of such works.
(b): Indian Railways have a regular mechanism of cleanliness at all categories of stations with special emphasis on mechanized cleaning processes, 'Pay & Use' toilet scheme, awarding of contracts, etc. At all major stations cleaning is being outsourced through mechanized cleaning, rag picking and garbage disposal contracts. At several stations, where cleaning is not out-sourced, well established departmental cleaning is in place.
Cleanliness at stations is a continuous job requiring close monitoring and day-to-day supervision apart from infrastructural inputs. Apart from ensuring proper cleaning, monitoring of cleanliness at stations is done through regular inspections and special drives. Cleanliness drives including awareness campaigns have also been organized at major stations under 'Swachh Bharat Mission'. Indian Railways have also notified the penalty provisions for "Activities affecting the cleanliness at the railway premises" under the Rules of 2012. These rules have been implemented in a very stringent manner and adequate publicity has been given in this regard.
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